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Compton Camp Fire Acquisition and Improvements Project

The Compton Camp Fire property, located at 450 W. Raymond Street in the City of Compton, has been serving the community as a recreation and education site for over 50 years, providing youth and teens with an outdoor space for overnight and day camp activities, seminars, trainings, community meetings, educational retreats, social and other events. This 1.26 acre campground currently consists of mature trees, fire pits, a clubhouse and meeting rooms.

Formerly a Camp Fire USA Compound, the City of Compton is looking to build upon Camp Fire USA's national "Teens in Action" program to enable youth and teens to tackle real-life issues in their own community while preparing young people to care for themselves, their environment and the people around them.

The current owner is selling the property for the appraised value of \$650,000. To purchase the property, the City of Compton will utilize \$450,000 of its own funds in the form of Quimby Fees, Lighting and Landscaping revenue and Lease Revenue Bonds. In order to finalize the purchase of the property, the City of Compton is seeking Proposition A grant funds in the amount of \$300,000. In addition to the acquisition of the

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property, the Proposition A grant funds will be utilized to make immediate modest improvements to the campgrounds consistent with the history and tradition of the property ensuring the campground remains a public recreational asset.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ACTING AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT:

1. Allocate \$300,000 in Cities Excess Funds, available to the Second District, to the City of Compton for the acquisition and modest immediate improvements to the Compton Camp Fire property; and
2. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, acting as the Director of the Regional Park and Open Space District, to award a grant to the City of Compton for the Compton Camp Fire Acquisition and Improvements Project when applicable conditions have been met and to administer the grant pursuant to the Procedural Guide previously adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

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